GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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IRREGULARITIES BY STAFF AT DISTRIBUTORSHIPS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the staff / deliverymen of distributors of petroleum products are indulged in various irregularities ;

(b) if so, whether the distributors are unable to take action against such staff because of the present rules and guidelines which make the distributor responsible for all types of irregularities even committed by the staff without his / her consent ; (

(c) if so, whether there are some provision in the guidelines etc., which may protect the distributors and may initiate action against the guilty staff / employees / deliverymen ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d) : It has come to the notice of the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) that the staff / deliverymen deployed by distributors of OMCs indulge in the irregularities sometime while selling the product.However, these staff are appointed by the distributors themselves in discharging obligations which distributors are liable to discharge under the distributorship agreement signed by them with OMCs.In view of this, distributors are themselves competent to take the action against their staff on the establishment of complaints against them and Government / OMCs need not to prescribe any guidelines for taking action against staff of distributors.